

2 **SSB 6692** - H COMM AMD **ADOPTED 2-29-96**  
3 By Committee on Agriculture & Ecology

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5 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the  
6 following:

7 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 17.10 RCW  
8 to read as follows:

9 (1) The state noxious weed control board shall:

10 (a) Work with the various federal and tribal land management  
11 agencies to coordinate state and federal noxious weed control;

12 (b) Encourage the various federal and tribal land management  
13 agencies to devote more time and resources to noxious weed control; and

14 (c) Assist the various federal and tribal land management agencies  
15 by seeking adequate funding for noxious weed control.

16 (2) County noxious weed control boards and weed districts shall  
17 work with the various federal and tribal land management agencies in  
18 each county in order to:

19 (a) Identify new noxious weed infestations;

20 (b) Outline and plan necessary noxious weed control actions;

21 (c) Develop coordinated noxious weed control programs; and

22 (d) Notify local federal and tribal agency land managers of noxious  
23 weed infestations.

24 (3) The department of agriculture, county noxious weed control  
25 boards, and weed districts are authorized to enter federal lands to  
26 survey for and control noxious weeds where control measures of a type  
27 and extent required under this chapter have not been taken. An entity  
28 authorized under this subsection to enter federal lands to control  
29 noxious weeds may not be held liable for that action.

30 (4) The department of agriculture, county noxious weed control  
31 boards, and weed districts may bill the federal land management agency  
32 that manages the land for all costs of the noxious weed control  
33 performed on federal land. If not paid by the federal agency that  
34 manages the land, the cost of the noxious weed control on federal land  
35 may be paid from any funds available to the county noxious weed control  
36 board or weed district that performed the noxious weed control.

1 Alternatively, the costs of noxious weed control on federal land may be  
2 paid from any funds specifically appropriated to the department of  
3 agriculture for that purpose.

4 (5) The department of agriculture, county noxious weed control  
5 boards, and weed districts are authorized to enter into any reasonable  
6 agreement with the appropriate authorities for the control of noxious  
7 weeds on federal or Indian lands.

8 (6) The department of agriculture, county noxious weed control  
9 boards, and weed districts shall consult with state agencies managing  
10 federal land concerning noxious weed infestation and control programs.

11 (7) The attorney general's office and each county prosecuting  
12 attorney's office shall cooperatively assist the department of  
13 agriculture, county noxious weed control boards, and weed districts in  
14 any challenges to their authority or actions under this chapter, and in  
15 the collection of all costs related to noxious weed control performed  
16 on federal land.

17 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** RCW 17.10.200 and 1987 c 438 s 21, 1979 c  
18 118 s 3, & 1969 ex.s. c 113 s 20 are each repealed."

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